

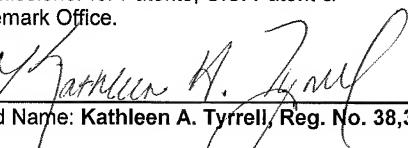
RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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Reply under 37 C.F.R. 116

This is a reply to the Final Rejection mailed October 15, 2008 setting a three (3) month statutory period for response. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6.